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THANK YOU FOR REFERENCE. WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE FROM
OUR VANTAGE THAT AN UNOPPOSED REFERENDUM IS PREFERABLE TO AN
UNOPPOSED ELECTION. HOWEVER, WE WILL, OF COURSE, DEFER TO
YOUR JUDGMENT BASED ON YOUR ASSESSMENT OF THE SITUATION THERE
WHICH WE ARE LESS ABLE TO MEASURE.

BEST REGARDS.

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